GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SHORTAGE OF FUNDS IN DRDO
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is facing shortage of funds over the past few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of budget allocated to DRDO for the year 2013-14 and 2014-15; and

(d) the other measures being taken by the Government for providing additional funds to DRDO for development of new weapon systems?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. There had been inadequacy of funds in DRDO until 2013-14. However, during current financial year (2014-15), allocations are increased by Rs.4672.75 Crore, which is 44.04% higher than the last years Budget Estimates and is adequate for DRDOs requirements. The projection and allocation details pertaining to Department of Defence R&D for the last five financial years and current financial year are given as under:

Year	BE (Proposed) (Rs. in Crore)	BE (Approved) (Rs. in Crore)	RE (Approved) (Rs. in Crore)	MA (Approved) (Rs. in Crore)	Actual Expenditure (Rs. in Crore)
2009-10	9516.63	8481.54	8514.81	8514.81	8475.38
2010-11	11754.41	9808.72	10359.43	10210.33	10148.92
2011-12	14848.87	10253.17	10014.31	10014.31	9893.84
2012-13	14463.66	10635.56	9841.93	9884.94	9788.31
2013-14	16483.28	10610.17	10930.17	10934.17	10859.04
2014-15	18495.46	15282.92	-	-	-

BE - Budget Estimate; RE - Revised Estimate.
MA - Modified Appropriation.

(d) During current financial year, Government has enhanced the budget outlay for the Department of Defence R&D by Rs.432.10 Crore in Revenue head and Rs.4240.65 Crore in ``Capital`` head, which will help to develop new weapon systems.